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GRACE COTTAGE GIRLS DOING THEIR THING!

Crocheting

written by, Tiffany P.

Students at Grace Cottage enjoy the hobby of crocheting. Crocheting comes in different styles; granny stitch, single stitch, and double stitch. There are a lot of varieties of wonderful colors of yarn to choose from when you want to start. You can also make many things from crocheting. For example, you can make blankets, purses, scarves, pot holders, bracelets etc. There are many benefits of crocheting: you can learn something new, make something for someone, or get a new hobby. If you ever want to learn to crochet then come visit the girls of Grace Cottage because they will be sure to help you.

* If you have any extra yarn please donate it to Grace Cottage; the girls will put it to good use.



CAREER! CAREER! CAREER!!!

MORE BREAKING NEWS! Grace & Snowden are having a Career Day thanks to Mr. Schulte. So if you're not sure of what you want to do after twelve years of school, here's your chance! By: Nichelle H

Dear Mrs. McIlvain,

Brian and I discussed the visit of your students. We were both impressed with their excellent behavior and their interest in the Underground Railroad. The students asked thoughtful questions and made worthwhile contributions to the program. I was impressed that they took the time to read the copy labels in the display. Most students don't take the time to read the information we have.

I was thrilled to hear that your class remembered so many details about their visit. I like the idea of developing questions for a game show because it really indicates how well they listened.

Sometime this fall we hope to develop an archeology program. We thought it would be helpful if your students would be willing to take part in the program. They could help us evaluate the strengths and weaknesses in the activities. Since they became so involved during their last visit, we thought they would be interested in helping us.

Thank you for bringing your students to the New Castle Court House Museum. I hope to see your students in the future.

Sincerely,

Joan Foster

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Hot News

Breaking news: Grace has two new staff members that have started training- Ms. Peterson and Mr. Garnett. We just want our new staff members to know that we enjoy their company; and we would like it if they would stay and support us. *By: Nichelle H.*

TUNE IN FOR MORE BREAKING NEWS!

Recently we had the National Guard come in to teach us how to display team work. They showed us how to walk on skis with no snow. Then, they showed us how to board walk, rotate on a house frame, and we also balanced on beams. (Whatever they were!) Regardless of how hard it was for us to do these team building activities, we had fun and we would like to see The National Guard again soon.

By: Nichelle H.



EMOTIONS

Written by, Alexis A, Edited by, Tiffany P.

Emotion is something we feel, see, sense, and show. We're around emotions and we show them everyday. For example, if our little sister takes our favorite pair of shoes and draws on them, then we may get angry. Anger is a strong emotion that we often display, even more than we should at times. Controlling anger can be very difficult for some people. Another strong emotion people often show that we can't contain is happiness. Here are two examples of happiness: 1 if we get something for Christmas that we really want, or 2 when that hot guy from math class asks us out. Emotions allow us to express how we feel at that certain moment. Sometimes the emotion we show is overwhelming, but nonetheless good. It's just how we show it, or to the extreme of which we show it, that can turn out badly. So even showing anger can be a good thing. Don't hold back any emotions. We just need to make sure we don't go overboard and hurt someone or ourselves. I don't think the world would be the same if we didn't have emotions. Just picture New York City, for example. It wouldn't be the same without drivers honking and yelling. Would we go to NYC if it was emotionless and everyone was just blah? No. We wouldn't go anywhere that was like that. In that case, everyone would basically be like robots. Emotions also help say things or get our points across without having to actually say something. We can just smile, and someone will know that what they said or did made us happy. So we should never hold back our emotions because they're a part of us and they make things better.

DEAR GRACE.....

Dear Grace,

I don't understand. I try to get along with my peers, but it just doesn't work. What should I do?

Signed...Snickers

Dear Snickers,

Try doing what I do, stay to yourself. I mean, you can talk to your peers, but don't get too close to them because you don't really know them and they might share your thoughts with others.

That's why a lot of people don't get along. Remember, you came here by yourself and you will leave here by yourself.

Signed...Grace

Dear Grace,

Why do police worry about the "juvies" when there are murderers, rapists, and robbers? I understand that "juvies" may turn into these criminals, but in the mean time people are dying.

Love...Cheezy Meezy

Dear Cheezy Meezy,

The police officers are just trying to keep us safe. Like you said, we "juvies" can be criminals too. So just think about that.

Love...Grace

FAVORITES BY: BRITTANY

Ikea:

1. Sport: Basketball
2. Artist: Lil Wayne
3. Food: Jamaican
4. Snack: candy
5. Drink: root beer
6. Clothing Brand: Roc-A-Ware

Callie:

1. Sport: Gymnastics
2. Artist: Michael Angelo
3. Food: Salad
4. Snack: Ice cream
5. Drink: Grape soda
6. Clothing Brand: Baby Phat

Diamond:

1. Sport: Basketball
2. Artist: Chris Brown
3. Food: Pizza
4. Snack: Doritos
5. Drink: Energy Drink
6. Clothing Brand: Baby Phat

**WOW , look at
these girls'
favorite's !**

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LEARNING SOMETHING NEW: Where Did The Car Stop?

It Stopped at The Old New Castle Court House. Date: August 1, 2008

By: Tatiana

We walked through the door and there we were in the court house. There were rows of benches. The speaker went on to tell us all about it. There was an arrow where one side was red and the other side was wood color. The red meant that the person was guilty. The other side meant they were not. There were four chairs on the court stand. Beside the first chair was a tin can. That's where the judges would spit tobacco. Under the stand was a jail cell, where they put the guilty ones. There once was a prisoner who started a fire to escape, but he later got caught.

Walking through the court house we learned about the slaves. They had tools they used in the slave days. We learned that they used feathers dipped in ink to write. There were also people who helped the slaves escape. Thomas Garrison was one of those people. We had a great trip.

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Special Events

- ♣ August 13, 2008 Junior Achievement field trip.
- ♣ August 20, 2008 Grace and Snowden Cottage Career Day for jobs.
- ♣ Today August 21, 2008 Women in Law are coming at 5:45pm.
- ♣ August 25, 2008 we are suppose to be having Game Night.
- ♣ August 26, 2008 Teen Clinic is coming at 3:30.
- ♣ August 27, 2008 Christiana Motorcycle Group are coming at 7:00pm.
- ♣ August 28, 2008 we are suppose to be having Movie Night.
- ♣ Ferris has its first football game September 5, 2008 at 3:00pm against Moreland High School.

By: Keyonia F. Contributed by: Mr. Harris

Career Day

Jobs for Delaware Graduates and the Education Department recently hosted the 4th annual Career Day for Grace, Snowden, Mowlds, and the New Castle County Detention Center. Nineteen employers and vocational programs volunteered their time to talk to our students on what makes a great employee and how to get the job you desire. The common theme of the day was “get an education” if you want to make any money.

James Rios, an employee from Discover Financial Services, spoke to a quiet room about how he had to make choices living in “the hood” of Wilmington at the age of 16. He told the students how he chose to get an education, get a good paying job, and work his way out of the neighborhood he lived in after” looking up and down the street and seeing grown men sitting on stoops and corners doing nothing but selling drugs” It was then he decided he didn’t want to live like that.

Staff Sergeant Erin Borisevic a recruiter for the United States Army told the students his first question to individuals seeking to join the armed services is “do you have an education?” If their answer is “no” then he tells them to “go back and get their diploma, if you don’t want to get one, then he can’t help you get in the Army, but I can help you get another job”. He went on to explain how the Army is becoming more Hi-Tech and an education is important to perform more and more of the duties assigned.

Many employers and programs joined us to make this day successful including: Department of Labor, Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, NJ Department of Parks and Forestry, Astra Zeneca, Michael Angelo Hair design, Ira Marche Lawncare, The Challenge program, Job Corps, and James Groves High School.

Special thanks go out to the employees from all the cottages and the detention center who assistance made the movement and day go along so smoothly, to Stephanie Guiswite, Program Manager and Richard Lee, Principal for their continued support, and the many individuals who since last year gave their suggestions to make this year even bigger and better.